

UNION MEN START 4 HOME PROJECTS

**Amalgamated Clothing Workers
Break Ground in Bronx for
Apartment Buildings.**

TENANTS PART OWNERS

**Hillman, Calling Plan a Success,
Says It Will Be Carried Into
Other Sections of City.**

Ground for four new six-story buildings of the Amalgamated Co-operative Apartments project was broken yesterday afternoon at Moshulu Parkway and Van Cortlandt Park, the Bronx, with ceremonies in which several hundred owner-tenants and officials of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America took part.

Sidney Hillman, president of the organization, told the gathering that the housing plan had met with such success that the Amalgamated was preparing to go into other sections of the city with similar projects.

"The vanishing of human misery for the great mass of the people, and the creation of a rich life for every person is not to be accomplished by the altruistic spirit of a few in each generation, but by the mass of the people, by the organized power of their numbers to do what each cannot do alone," Mr. Hillman said.

Other speakers were B. C. Vladek, manager of The Jewish Daily Forward; Charles W. Erwin of the clothing workers' organization and A. E. Kazan, president of the housing corporation. Following the ceremony Mr. Hillman was guest at a dinner in the main dining hall of the apartments.

The new buildings will provide 800 additional rooms and 200 additional apartments, bringing the total number of rooms in the enterprise to 2,000 and the total investment in land and buildings to \$3,500,000. The apartments will have self-service elevators. The average rental will be \$11 a room.

Continuing the policy adopted when the first units were opened in November, 1927, only 50 per cent. of the available land will be used for the buildings in order that adequate light and air may be assured the occupants, Mr. Hillman said.

Under a loan and instalment system the workers may share apartment ownership at a nominal price and the rental figure is gradually lowered as the amortization proceeds.